THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Since the temples have not been declared as protected monuments under the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958, no funds have been allocated by the Archaeological Survey of India for their maintenance.

Maintenance of historical sites

2203. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any proposals by the ASI for maintaining important historical sites in Delhi, Agra, Jaipur and Goa where maximum foreign tourists visit;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government propose to take action against such miscreants who cause damage to our heritage sites?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN):(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Besides maintenance and conservation of the Centrally Protected Monuments, the Archaeological Survey of India is formulating perspective plans for the conservation and development of the (1) Red Fort (2) Humayun's Tomb (3) Qutab Minar in Delhi (4) Taj Mahal (5) Agra Fort and (6) Fatehpur Sikri in Agra. For Churches in Old Goa and also Kumbalgarh Fort and Chittorgarh Fort in Rajashthan.

(c) The miscreants causing damage to the Centally Protected Monuments are dealt with as per the provisions of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act,1958.

Problems of the domestic Hoteliers

2204. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem captioned, "Hoteliers look for growth abroad with tourism hit" which appeared in The Business Standard, dated the 20th June, 2002;